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In re application of: S. KIDOOKA

Application No. : 10/616,970

Mail Stop Amendment
Group Art Unit: 3739

Filed : July 11, 2003

Examiner: P. J. Vrettakos

For : TREATMENT TOOL FOR ENDOSCOPE HAVING END EFFECTOR OPERATING LIKE PINCERS

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment

Randolph Building

401 Dulany Street

Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.111** in the above-captioned application.

Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

A Request for Extension of Time.

No additional fee is required.

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Claims After Amendment	No. Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
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Total Claims: 20	*20	0	x25=	\$	x 50=	\$0.00
Indep. Claims: 2	**3	0	X100=	\$	x200=	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims Presented			+180=	\$	+360=	\$0.00
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 Please charge my Deposit Account No. 19-0089 in the amount of \$_____. A check in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the extension fee is included. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0089. Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, including any required extension of time fees in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3)).

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of June 22, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on September 22, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections together with an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present application, in due course.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this Response.